

Walnut Grove Tower Site

Table Rock State Park, Pickens County

SC Historic Preservation Review and Compliance

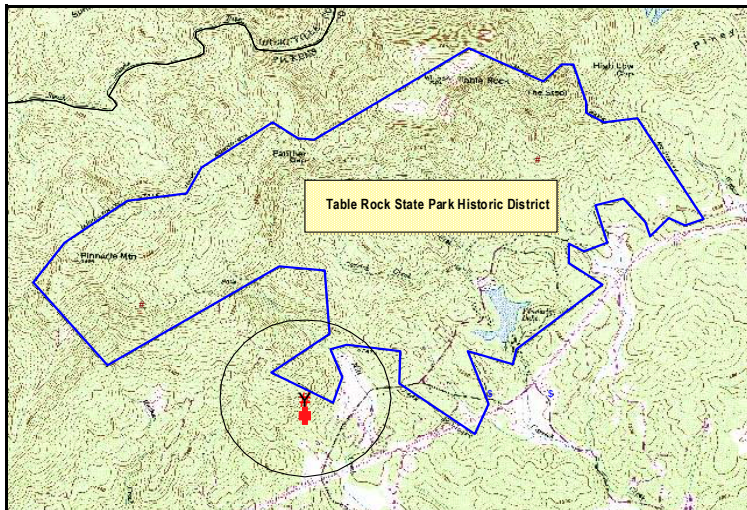


Table Rock State Park was listed in the National Register of Historic Places June 15, 1989.



This lodge is one of many at the park built by the Civilian Conservation Corps in the 1930s.

This proposed telecommunications tower, located 200 feet outside of the Table Rock State Park boundaries, needed a license from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to build. Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act requires federal agencies to assess the impact of their undertakings on historic properties. An agency must consult any parties with an interest in the historic character of the property, including the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) and federally-recognized Native American groups. For this project all interested groups were invited to view a balloon test simulating the height of the proposed tower. The Eastern Band of the Cherokee, SHPO, Cherokee Foothills National Scenic Byway Association, SC Parks, Recreation, and Tourism - Table Rock State Park, Pickens County Coalition of Cultural Advocates, and numerous concerned citizens all commented that the tower would adversely affect the Table Rock National Register Historic District. The license applicant has addressed the comments from interested parties and is exploring other alternatives for service in the area. The level of public involvement and consideration of all options has made this a successful compliance project.

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